§ 19.632

LIQUOR BOTTLE REQUIREMENTS

§ 19.632 Bottles authorized.

Liquor bottles for domestic use shall conform to the applicable standards of fill provided in subpart E of 27 CFR part 5, including those for liquor bottles of less than 200 ml capacity. The use of any bottle size other than as authorized in subpart E of 27 CFR part 5 is prohibited for the bottling of nonindustrial distilled spirits for domestic purposes.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85–859, 72 Stat. 1374, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5301))

§ 19.633 Distinctive liquor bottles.

- (a) Application. A proprietor desiring approval of domestic liquor bottles of distinctive shape or design, including bottles of less than 200 ml capacity, or, to use such distinctive liquor bottles, shall submit TTB Form 5100.31 to the appropriate TTB officer for approval. The applicant shall certify as to the total capacity of a representative sample bottle before closure (expressed in milliliters) on each copy of the form. In addition, the applicant shall affix a readily legible photograph (both front and back of the bottle) to the front of each copy of TTB Form 5100.31, along with the label(s) to be used on the bottle. The applicant shall not submit an actual bottle or an authentic model unless specifically requested to do so.
- (b) Approval. Properly submitted TTB Forms 5100.31 for approval of distinctive liquor bottles shall be approved by the appropriate TTB officer if the bottles are found to—
- (1) Meet the requirements of 27 CFR part 5:
- (2) Be distinctive;
- (3) Be suitable for their intended purpose:
 - (4) Not jeopardize the revenue; and
 - (5) Not be deceptive to the consumer.

The applicant shall keep a copy of the approved TTB Form 5100.31, including an approved photograph (both front and back) of the distinctive liquor bottle, on file at his premises. If TTB Form 5100.31 is disapproved, the applicant shall be notified of the appropriate TTB officer's decision and the reasons therefor.

(c) Cross reference. For procedures regarding issuance, denial and revocation of distinctive liquor bottle approvals, as well as appeal procedures, see part 13 of this chapter.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85–859, 72 Stat. 1374, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5301))

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§ 19.634 Receipt and storage of liquor bottles.

No proprietor shall accept shipment or delivery of liquor bottles except from the manufacturer thereof, a supplier abroad, or another proprietor. However, the appropriate TTB officer may, pursuant to letterhead application, authorize a proprietor to receive and reuse liquor bottles assembled for such proprietor as provided in 27 CFR 31.263. Liquor bottles, including those of less than 200 ml capacity, shall be stored in a safe and secure place, either on the proprietor's qualified premises or at another location.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85–859, 72 Stat. 1374, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5301))

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§ 19.635 Bottles to be used for display purposes.

Liquor bottles may be furnished to liquor dealers for display purposes, provided that each bottle is marked to show that it is to be used for such purpose. The disposition of such bottles, showing names and addresses of consignees, dates of shipment, and size, quantity, and description of bottles, shall be included in the records required under §19.747.

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(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85–859, 72 Stat. 1374, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5301))

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§ 19.636 Bottles for testing purposes.

Proprietors may ship liquor bottles to persons for testing. The disposition of such bottles, showing the name and